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Dear Dr. Lambert:

We have completed review and evaluation of the proposal "Monitoring and Assessment of Forest and Urban Resources in the Commonwealth of Kentucky" (NASA Reference Number BAA-0144-0016), which you submitted to the Office of Earth Science in response to the NASA Broad Agency Announcement, "Opportunities for State, Local, Regional and Tribal Governments to Utilize NASA and Commercially Developed Data and Capabilities in Operations and Decision Support" (BAA-01-OES-01). I am pleased to inform you that we are recommending your proposal for funding.

NASA received more than 230 abstracts for the first round of the BAA. Thirty-nine proposals were requested. It was extremely challenging to select a balanced and affordable program of relevant, high-quality projects, and, regrettably, many meritorious and highly rated proposals could not be accommodated. For some of the 15 projects selected for funding, the approved funding level and scope of work may need to be adjusted downward to accommodate them within the available budget.

Your project will be managed by the Applications Directorate at the John C. Stennis Space Center in Mississippi. You will be contacted soon by personnel from the Directorate and the Stennis Office of Procurement who will work with you to establish a final budget, period of performance, and funding cycle, and review performance requirements. You should not incur any expenses on this work until you have been advised to proceed by the Stennis procurement officer.

Continued support for this work from NASA is dependent upon satisfactory progress toward the goals and objectives of the project and the availability of appropriated funds.